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Road Builders Armed With Picks, Shovels and Unimpaired Appetites, Back on Job Constructing Turner Falls Highway

SOAKED BY TORRENTIAL DOWNPOUR BUT WITH ARDOR UNDAMPENED THE VOLUNTEER BRIGADE RESUMES ITS ATTACK ON TURNER FALLS ROADWAY

When the Heavens Were Rent in Twain and Floods Descended, Boosters Only "Recessed"

BACK ON JOB WITH RISING SUN TODAY

DETERMINED TO IMPROVE LOCAL ENTHUSIASTS REFUSE TO LET THE RAINS STOP GOOD WORK

Undaunted by the heavy rain of yesterday, nearly 50 of the civic road workers energetically resumed their task this morning in building the stretch of road from the Scivally ranch to Turner Falls.

Although they cannot complete the work today, which is due to end the two-days' program of the good roads committee of the Chamber of Commerce, they will at least have made an appreciable improvement, according to Secretary Barron of the Chamber of Commerce.

The worst places of the road will be leveled off, and many of the bad ruts and holes will be filled in, Mr. Barron said. The number of men at work this morning was sufficient to make this decided improvement.

The five groups of men were hard at it yesterday when they were compelled to "recess" their work by the torrential downpour, about 2 o'clock. Many of them returned to the city, realizing that it was hopeless to continue the work yesterday afternoon. A number of them, however, went to Turner Falls where they remained in cottages until this morning.

Summing up the situation, Secretary Barron stated, this morning, that the rain may have dampened their bodies, but it did not dampen their enthusiasm. Reports from all those who returned to the city yesterday stated that the men were determined to accomplish as much as possible before nightfall today.

Among the hardest workers in the young regiment of volunteer road builders were County Commissioners George Evans and Joe Taylor, and Marion Pierce, incoming county commissioner. Mr. Taylor drove about 75 miles from his home at Wilson, in order to get in on the work.

Mr. Pierce was one of those who returned to the city yesterday. He returned to the scene of labor early this morning and brought additional supplies and refreshments.

Lee Galt of the Ardmore Chamber of Commerce, who was in charge of (Continued on Page Two)

Dust From Road Builders

It was not until Dr. R. L. Davidson and Col. Sidney Suggs returned home last evening from Turner Falls that some folks found out where all the dust came from yesterday afternoon and then it was learned that this team of young workers started the work on the roads at about the hour the heavy dust clouds were seen to the northwest.

The "drinking" water was fine, many of the workers report. It is said that Honey creek runs through some "cawn" fields and since a number of the laborers lost track of the water wagon they resorted to Honey creek water—not even using their tin cups.

Eddie Ramsey saved the day, or rather saved the lives of some of the workers when he donated many loaves of bread to go with the delicious barbecue. The truck carrying the bread and the other "side" dishes for the barbecue was delayed and did not reach the falls until about 1:30 o'clock.

If Ardmore has a separate civic bodies, it was impossible to distinguish them at Turner Falls Thursday. The Lions, Kiwanis, Rotarians, Chamber of Commerce, Legionnaires all worked together in such perfect harmony that even when a Lion roared others joined in on the chorus, and all were ready when the eats were served.

The Ryons Club had its first opportunity to demonstrate its motto, "We Help," yesterday and today, and every man of Ardmore is willing to admit that the ladies did help by their presence and by the splendid way in which they served refreshments.

"Doc" Harlow, the energetic Kiwanian, spent both days at Turner Falls. But this wasn't his fault. "Doc" took his bedding with him in his car and had planned to spend Thursday night. Then the rain came and "Doc" changed his mind and started home. Then his car broke down or a tire blew out or something, anyway "Doc" remained over night and of course he had to be on the job this morning, just to maintain his reputation.

Bob Scivally knows how to reach the hearts of every Ardmore man, according to reports coming back from the two days road building campaign. "Undoubtedly that was the juiciest, best cooked, tenderest barbecue I ever ate," as one expressed it. The Lions seemed to like it better than their usual diet.

The most famous waterfalls in Parana, Brazil, are those of Iguassu or Santa Maria.

Just and the Unjust Were Benefitted by Bountiful Rainfall

The rainfall yesterday afternoon brought many expressions of gratitude when the drops of rain descended from practically every citizen of every walk of life.

The business men who had been complaining of the extreme heat which prevailed during the period preceding the rain expressed great relief when the drops of rain descended, followed by the cooling breeze which swept over the city.

Farmers regarded the rain as a God-send, stating that the long period of dry weather was beginning to show its disastrous effects on the crops.

While the busy house wife stopped her work—with a sigh of relief—for a few hours respite from the dust!

PARTY LINES ARE DRAWN ON VOTE IN HOUSE ON PEACE MEASURE TODAY

Washington, June 3.—Republican members voted solidly to adopt the Porter measure as a substitute for the Knox resolution passed by the senate repealing the declaration of war. The Democrats merely voted present.

Chairman Porter announced that the resolution would be presented to the house next week for immediate consideration. A minority report will be filed by committee Democrats.

House leaders informed Chairman Porter that the resolution would be given the right of way when presented.

There was little discussion in the committee, Republican members having agreed to stand by the Porter resolution and Democratic members said they saw no need of voting one way or the other.

Republicans were said to have been unwilling to consider an out and out repeal of the declaration of war, believing it might be construed as a repudiation of the war itself.

PEG OVERSTREET FATALLY STABBED AT WILSON TODAY

(Special to The Ardmoreite)

Wilson, Okla., June 3.—"Peg" Overstreet, aged about 50 years, was stabbed to death at about 5 o'clock this morning. He was attacked while sleeping in a tent in which he made his home on the Ardmore road about two and one-half miles east of Wilson. In a post mortem statement Overstreet named Tom Starr, alias Tom Ford, as his assailant. It is alleged.

Members of the county sheriff's force are on Starr's trail and it is believed that they will capture him by tonight.

Rumors current on the streets of Wilson this morning, regarding the cause of the fatal cutting, were to the effect that Overstreet possessed some damaging evidence in connection with some oil field hi-jacking, and had told Starr that he (Overstreet) intended to inform the county attorney of his information. Fearing the exposure, the rumor alleges, Starr armed himself with a knife and entered Overstreet's tent at about 5 o'clock this morning and committed the deed.

Overstreet was found by neighbors, who summoned Dr. Rogers from Wilson. The injured man died a few minutes after the physician's arrival. Three gashes were evident on the man's body. One was in the stomach about three inches long and a four-inch cut was in the right breast, and the third was inflicted in the throat.

The slain man was a well-known character in the oil field district, having peddled ice cream in that territory during the past year, with the use of a Ford truck. He lived in the tent alone and led a life of a hermit. He was nicknamed "Peg" on account of the fact that he had a wooden leg.

According to reports the murdered man is a member of the Odd Fellows organization, and members of the order at Wilson are now trying to locate the lodge to which he belongs.

Novel in the jewelry line is a watch chain that can be unfolded to display three tiny photographs and a mirror.

WEATHER

Oklahoma: Tonight and Saturday part cloudy, probably scattered thunder showers in east portion; cooler tonight in east portion.

PRODUCERS OF AMERICAN CRUDE NEED PROTECTION

Wire From Roy Johnson Shows Mining Industries Stagnated by Cheap Mexican Fuel Oil

Crude oil shipped from Mexico into the United States is demoralizing the oil markets of this country and is injuring oil producers and refiners and will cost these people many fortunes.

Oil can be produced in Mexico for a pittance compared with the cost of production in this country. Here we have a quarter of a million wells that are producing oil and the majority of the Mexican production comes from 50 wells. The Mexican wells have very prolific sands, the oil comes in torrents from those wells and there is no way by which oil can be produced in this country that would make our people able to compete with producers in that country.

The only remedy it seems to be to enact a law requiring an import tax be collected on Mexican crude.

Here is a telegram which Roy M. Johnson of this city has sent to Bert Chandler, congressman from Oklahoma (Continued on Page Two)

In 1922 the new Baseball Park of the New York American League on East bank of Harlem river, will be completed, having a seating capacity of 75,000.

Local Unit State Guard Encamped At Fair Grounds Preparatory to En Training for the Encampment At Ft. Sill; Patriotic Citizens Should Help Defray Incidentals

JURY TRYING CHILD FOR MURDER FAILS TO AGREE

Knox, Indiana, June 3.—The jury trying the case of Cecil Burkett, 11, charged with the murder of Benny Slavin, 7, was discharged by Judge Pentecost in circuit court here today when it failed to reach an agreement.

MAN ACCUSED OF MURDER OF WOMAN SOUND MENTALLY PHYSICIAN STATES

Kansas City, June 3.—At the request of the defense, Dr. Frank L. Ridge, a physician on the staff of the general hospital, examined Densel Chester's head in front of the jury this morning and said he was unable to find a "hole" which the defense alleges has been there since Chester was beaten by detectives on a railroad train last fall.

"Is there a hole there?" asked Joseph Aylward, defense counsel, as the physician, who was on the witness stand at the time, felt the spot indicated. "No," said the witness, "I find a slight depression—very slight. I have as much depression in my own skull in the same place."

"Could it have been caused by blows?" asked Aylward. "No," replied Dr. Ridge. The doctor had been placed on the stand by the state. He told of examining Chester immediately after his return from Broken Bow, Neb., last fall, to answer a charge of murder. He said he found no bruises on Chester's head and body except a small cut on his head and a bloodshot condition of his eyes, which might have been caused by exposure. Chester walked unaided at that time, did not complain of injuries and as far as he was able to determine had nothing the matter with him physically.

Dr. C. A. Revelle, a former police surgeon, testified he was present at this examination and testified to the same conditions.

John W. Farrell, private detective who said he saw Chester in Swope Park, the night of the murder between 11:30 and 11:45 o'clock, was recalled to the stand. The defense attempted to shake his story of being in Swope Park, but Farrell insisted he was there. Chester previously testified that it was Farrell who slugged and beat him in the stairway of a Pullman car while he was being returned to Kansas City, and that he had previously had trouble with Farrell some years before in a labor (Continued on Page Two)

One Reason Why We Have "Race Riots"

New York, June 3.—The national association for the advancement of colored people issued a statement reciting stories of eight negroes who arrived here and stated they were forced to flee from Tulsa because of warnings they alleged had been posted on the doors of their homes. Four of the negroes gave their homes as Okmulgee, Okla.

Okmulgee, June 3.—Chief of Police Parr said stories told the national association for the advancement of colored people by eight negroes were untrue, that notices had never been posted upon their doors telling them to leave and that the stories were told merely to "gain sympathy for the relations."

GOVERNOR ORDERS FREELING TO GO TO BOTTOM OF THE TULSA ATROCITY

Oklahoma City, June 3.—Governor Robertson has instructed Attorney General Freeling to conduct a thorough probing of all details which lead up to the race riot at Tulsa, Tuesday night and Wednesday.

The letter in which the governor instructed the attorney general to conduct the investigation said: "This is to request and direct you (Continued on Page Two)"

REMEMBER, YOU DON'T KNOW HOW SOON YOU MAY NEED THESE BOYS TO PROTECT LIVES AND HOMES

Deferring their means of livelihood to the patriotic call of state, approximately 50 national guardsmen of Ardmore and vicinity who are members of Machine Gun Company, third regiment, have encamped at the fair grounds since Tuesday and are preparing to go on their annual two weeks' encampment at Ft. Sill. They will leave here Sunday morning.

Not only do they give up their vocation for the time of the encampment at Ft. Sill, but they have assembled here five days in advance of their scheduled departure at their own expense, scarcely having a large enough mess fund to tide them over the three days, and being without enough funds for medical and other purposes. This early assembly was necessitated in order to have the company in readiness for a prompt and orderly encampment at Ft. Sill.

Their services are given to the community, given unselfishly and given at a sacrifice.

An appeal is made to patriotic citizens to recognize these services by extending some aid to the men. Donations will be received by The Ardmoreite.

The encampment is a preparation for such emergencies as occurred in Tulsa, Tuesday night and Wednesday. Five days ago, no doubt, Tulsa citizens were as indifferently disposed toward the immediate needs of a national guard as Ardmore and probably all other Oklahoma citizens are today. An emergency may break out over night calling upon these volunteer guardians of the state to uphold the law.

To this end, the volunteer guardsmen have pledged themselves unqualifiedly. Should a riot break out, should a disastrous flood occur, should any catastrophe befall Ardmore, these sturdy volunteers would be the first to be called upon for enforcement of order, for protection of property and general aid.

In the absence of such emergencies, while our community realizes such events as mere possibilities and therefore far distant from our daily imaginations, these men are silently and uncomplainingly preparing for the same. They are preparing during the first five days at their own expense. And even while they encamp under authorized time, during the two weeks at Ft. Sill, their remuneration will be infinitesimal compared to the wages they have foreborne in order to answer the call of state. A private is paid during the two weeks at the rate of \$20 per month, probably he forebears a wage at the rate of \$200 a month, or even more.

Company E of the national guard is answering the call of the state. The company must depend on the generosity of the good citizens hereabouts to aid just slightly in its great service.

TULSA BUSINESS MEN LAY PLANS FOR THE REBUILDING OF HOMES FOR THE NEGROES; DISTRICT IS TO BE WELL SEGREGATED FROM WHITE SECTION

GOVERNOR INSTRUCTS ATTORNEY GENERAL TO PROBE TULSA AFFAIR

Oklahoma City, June 3.—A thorough and complete investigation of the recent Tulsa race conflict by S. P. Freeling, attorney general, was ordered by Governor J. B. A. Robertson, in a formal letter directed to the attorney general today. Freeling is authorized to proceed to Tulsa at once and preserve all evidence which will be submitted to the grand jury when it meets.

COMMANDANT OF GUARDSMEN SAYS LOCAL OFFICERS ALONE TO BLAME

TELLS TULSANS THAT SHERIFF'S FORCE COULD HAVE NIPPED RIOT AT ITS EARLIEST INCEPTION

Tulsa, Okla., June 3.—At a meeting in the municipal building yesterday evening various Tulsa citizens charged that a complete fall down of the city and county law enforcement officials was responsible for the rioting and incendiaryism here Tuesday night and Wednesday morning which so far has resulted in the known deaths of nine white men and 18 negroes, the wounding of nearly 300 persons, and five loss to negro property estimated at \$1,500,000.

Brigadier General Barrett commanding the state troops in Tulsa county under a declaration of martial law by Governor J. B. A. Robertson, was equally emphatic in charging that a complete fall down of the local peace officers was responsible for the rioting and said that the factors which led to it were an impudent negro, a hysterical girl and a yellow journal reporter.

General Barrett said that he came to Tulsa with 100 uniformed men and in a (Continued on Page Two)

General Barrett Reports Conditions Normal and Contemplates the Withdrawal of Troops

POLICE PROTECTION BADGES IN EVIDENCE

NEGROES RETURN TO WORK IN HOTELS AND OTHER PLACES; CIVIL OFFICERS CENSURED BY STATE EXECUTIVE

Washington, June 3.—A general inquiry into the race riots at Tulsa, Okla., has been ordered by Attorney General Daugherty, it was announced today at the department of justice.

Tulsa, June 3.—National guardsmen in control of Tulsa city and county since Wednesday morning when they restored order after 12 hours of wild race rioting and incendiaryism which cost 30 lives and property loss of \$1,500,000 will be withdrawn late today, unless some untoward incident makes their retention here necessary, leaving work of relief and rehabilitation and investigation of the outbreak to regularly constituted local officials and a special committee of seven civic leaders.

Definite plans for alleviating the immediate suffering of the thousands of negroes rendered homeless by the torching of their homes had taken shape today and the special committee looked into plans for fixing the responsibility of the outbreak and bringing the ring leaders to punishment.

At the same time, rumors that radical leaders among the negroes, some being the worst element and some intelligent leaders, caused the riot, began to take tangible form with the statements of O. W. Gurley, one of Tulsa's wealthiest negroes, J. M. Adkinson, police commissioner, and Barney Cleaver, wealthy negro peace officer. The combined statements of the three men tended to indicate that for some time the negroes had been preparing for race trouble and that the first shot at the county building Tuesday night when white men who sought to take from the jail Dick Rowland, 19 year old bootblack, charged with attacking a white woman, clashed with armed negroes bent on protecting (Continued on Page Two)

PRIDE GOETH BEFORE A FALL

We have been told that pride goeth before a fall. The Tulsa World boasted that Tulsa was not Ardmore, because this city happened to be the victim of a scandal. Now the Tulsa World hangs its head and says it is glad Ardmore is not Tulsa for the reason that if there is an unpardonable crime Tulsa has committed it.

Men have been shot down without having given offense. Their homes have been burned, their widows and orphans left penniless to suffer.

There is but one atonement which Tulsa can offer and that is restoration as far as restoration can be made. Fathers cannot be brought back to children, husbands cannot be brought back to wives, but homes can be rebuilt, children can be fed and women can be clothed.

If Tulsa people will undertake the work of restoring what it has ruthlessly torn from these people the cities of the state will be glad to have the privilege of shouldering a portion of the burden without feeling it as a burden. Ardmore will be glad to help Tulsa restore the homes it has destroyed, the churches and schools it has laid waste, and regrets that its arms are so short that it cannot restore the lives that were ruthlessly taken.

There were some innocent white people slain in the Tulsa race war. Men lost their lives who were visitors to the city and others who were at their regular places of work lost their lives by stray bullets. The homes of these men should be looked into and their families should receive help if they need it.

ARDMORE FIRST MONDAY TRADES DAY

Will begin Monday, June 6, with every member of the Ardmore Retail Merchants' Association offering a special bargain for the day.

Look out for the advertising. Make your arrangements to be in Ardmore each First Monday.